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S.B. No. 217

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to participation by the Texas Lottery Commission in multistate lottery games.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Chapter 466, Government Code, is amended by adding Subchapter J to read as follows:

SUBCHAPTER J. PARTICIPATION IN MULTISTATE LOTTERY GAMES

Sec. 466.451. MULTISTATE AGREEMENT AUTHORIZED. The commission shall enter into a written agreement with the appropriate officials of one or more other states or take other appropriate action to participate in the operation of one or more ongoing multistate lottery games.

Sec. 466.452. REVENUE FROM MULTISTATE LOTTERY. (a) Except as provided by this section, revenue received from the sale of tickets in this state for a multistate lottery game is subject to Subchapter H.

(b) The commission may:

(1) deposit a portion of the revenue received from the sale of multistate lottery game tickets in this state into a fund shared with other parties to an agreement under this subchapter for the payment of prizes awarded in multistate lottery games in which the commission participates; and

(2) retain the portion of revenue deposited in the fund for as long as necessary to pay prizes claimed during the

1 period designated for claiming a prize in a multistate lottery  
2 game.

3 Sec. 466.453. PAYMENT OF COSTS AUTHORIZED. The commission  
4 may share in the payment of costs associated with participating in  
5 multistate lottery games.

6 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
7 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
8 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
9 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
10 Act takes effect September 1, 2003.